

# LOS ANGELES LONG BEACH HARBOR SAFETY COMMITTEE

## Subcommittee #1 – Navigation Safety

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Meeting Minutes – December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009  
At the offices of Millennium Maritime

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### **By Phone**

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Please double-check your name, phone number and email address and advise of any errors. Thanks!

Meeting called to order by **Captain Bent Christiansen** at the offices of Millennium Maritime at 1330. Minutes of the last meetings were distributed by email and no corrections noted.

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### OLD BUSINESS

**SAFE TRANSIT BROCHURE (Dec '07)** – **Robin Blanchfield, CA Coastal Commission**, has completed editing the Safe Transit Program brochure. **The Harbor Safety Committee** and the subcommittee have voted and approved content of this brochure. Now our primary focus is to make a final review and to print. **Robin Blanchfield, CA Coastal Commission and Mike Coyne, OSPR** will contact **Rob Hughes**, who is prepared to print 5000 copies.

### SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

**Gerry Wheaton NOAA** will look at including Best Practices for San Pedro Bay in the Coast Pilot. Will compare with other ports, edit, synchronize and bring the document back to the subcommittee at a future meeting.

**Lt Matt Capon, USCG**, informed the subcommittee about upcoming boat parades. December 5, 2009 in Los Angeles and December 12, 2009 in Long Beach.

**Dick McKenna, San Pedro MX/VTS** reported on traffic, incidents and the new **VOLUNTARY WESTERN TRAFFIC LANES**.

**Mike Coyne, OSPR**, clarified the requirement for OSRO coverage when within 3 miles of land transiting Santa Barbara Channel.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Gerry Wheaton NOAA** inquired if the subcommittee wanted to become involved in reconciling British Admiralty nautical publications with NOAA nautical publications. It has been noted that many vessels use British Admiralty charts and publications rather than NOAA charts and publications while navigating in US Waters. Admiralty charts and publications are recognized equivalents and satisfy the carriage requirements; however, they do not always include all the information that is contained in the US publications. It was determined that **Gerry Wheaton** would investigate mutual exchange of information between **NOAA** and **BA**. If not successful he will bring the subject back to committee.

**Tony Parisi, USN NAVAIR** gave an overview of impact of ship traffic now transiting through the Pacific Missile Test Range. He related that an increase of ship traffic from an average of 2 ships a day to 10 ships a day is having some impact on the navy's use of the range. So far only one ship had declined to follow instructions when diverted. **Dick McKenna, San Pedro MX/VTS**, advised that a letter to the non conforming ships owners should correct the problem. **Tony Parisi and Dick McKenna** will collaborate on sending such letters.

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**Bent Christiansen, POLA Pilots**, advised the committee that the Cerritos Channel drawbridge operation and changes will be taken up by Subcommittee 2 at its next meeting. This meeting will be coordinated with Subcommittee 1 and email notices and agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

The next Subcommittee #1 meeting schedule and location has yet to be determined. Agendas will be distributed via email prior to the meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 1430

Respectfully submitted,

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